(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) The new industrial policy applies to fertilizer industry also.

(b) In view of reply at (a) above, question does not arise.

Coal based urea production units

1216. SHRI S. K. T. RAMACHANDRAN : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the coal based urea production units in Ramagundam and Talcher are economically viable; and

(b) what steps are taken to utilise or dispose of the inventories and machineries lying idle in Korba stored for the use of the yet to commission Fertilizer Production unit as the construction work of the proposed Fertilizer Production unit there has not so far started ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Fertilizer Corporation of India Ltd. (FCI) would like to utilise some of the machinery/equipment procured for their Korba Project in their other Plants and dispose off the remaining.

Import of Fertiizer

1217. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total quantity of fertilizer imported after deregulation of phosphorous and potassium fertilizers; and

(b) the names of importing agencies and what is the landed cost of such fertilizers ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) The quantities of fertilizers imported on Government account after the decontrol of phosphatic and potassic fertilizers and their C&F value are given below :—

	Quantity in (Lakh MTs.)	C&F value (Rs. crores)
UREA	11.2	452.28
NPK	0.36	19.59
SOP	0.05	2.85
MOP	5.87	219.41
DAP	1.78	84.32
Total :	19.08	778.45

All the above imports were made by the Minerals and Metals Trading Corporation of India Limited, who are the canalising agency for fertilizers. The import of DAP was, however, decanalised with effect from 17-9-92 and after this date private parties have been free to import this item.

बिहार में रासायनिक और उर्वरक उद्योग

1218. **श्री गया सिंह** : क्या **प्रधान मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) बिहार में रसायन और उर्वरक उद्योग कितने हैं तथा उनकी उत्पादन क्षमता कितनी है; और

(ख) इस राज्य में उर्वरकों की वार्षिक आवश्यकता कितनी है तथा मांग और आपूर्ति के अंतराल को किस प्रकार भरा जाएगा?

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एडुआर्डो फलेरिओ) : (क) उपलब्ध सूचना के अनुसार बिहार में रसायन क्षेत्र में चार कम्पनियों को औद्योगिक लाइसेंस जारी